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In re application of:

German Gutierrez

Application No.: 09/650,275

Filed: August 29, 2000

For: SEAL RING FOR INTEGRATED
CIRCUITS

Examiner: Ori Nadav

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Independent Claims	--		

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Fee Description
Claims in excess of 20
Independent claims in excess of 3
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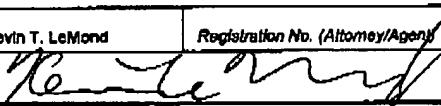
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1808	180	1808	180
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